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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination, Applicants wish to amend the subject application as follows:

In the Specification:

Page 50, lines 11-22, please replace with the following paragraph:

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Next, the second method is shown in FIG. 14. In this method, an intermediate product of the display device 50, in which the optical waveguide plate 14 is allowed to abut against the crosspiece 56 with the light-shielding layer 60 intervening therebetween, is placed in the vacuum packaging bag 80 in a state of being enclosed in a frame 202. Subsequently, the interior of the vacuum packaging bag 80 is vacuum-evacuated. Accordingly, it is possible to effectively reduce any inconvenience which would be otherwise caused by the concentration of stress in the vicinity of the ends of the actuator substrate 12 and the optical waveguide plate 14.